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Be sure to send your pastor to the Southern Baptist Convention by getting up a list of new subscribers to The Baptist Record.

Some of the papers are making a good deal of noise about the "brayless mule" that has been developed. Let the development extend its boundaries. "There are others."

The Durant church has called Rev. S. P. Poag, now pastor of Eastland church, Nashville, Tenn. He is a Mississippian who graduated at Union University in Tennessee and has done good work in Nashville. We hope he may come back to his native State.

The expected rupture between Germany and China occurred last week when the Chinese president handed the German ambassador his passport. China has been friendly toward the allies and unfavorable to Germany, because the latter has killed many of their countrymen being transferred to Europe as laborers.

The Record is indebted to a number of laymen at the Pontotoc Convention for kind words which were voluntarily spoken with no other provocation than sincere good will and appreciation of what the paper is doing for the life of our people and the denominational work. Here's to Brethren Pack, Godbold, Watts, et al.

Rev. Jos. Kemp, a Scotch preacher who has served Calvary church, New York City, has resigned because the members were not in sympathy with his efforts at deepening the spiritual life of the church. The church probably should change its name from Calvary to something more in accord with their condition. Indeed, they are contemplating the sale of their property to Fifth

Rev. T. A. J. Beasley, one of the best preachers, hardest workers and most versatile men in Mississippi, will conduct the Sunday School. column in The Record. He knows the subject from study and experience. He has a gold seal diploma, having done all the work the Sunday School Board lays out. He makes hundreds in all examinations and knows how to make the work go. Send him what you think worth while, to Ecru.

Luke tells us that "the Pharisees and the lawyers rejected for themselves the counsel of God, being not baptized." A man who refuses to be baptized puts himself in the attitude of rebellion against God and it will affect all his subsequent conduct. People who get confused in any way on baptism are pretty sure to get confused and distorted in their conception of other Bible truths and commands. No man is likely to get right who doesn't begin right, and the beginning of obedience to Christ is to be

The First church of Minneapolis celebrated fittingly the twentieth anniversary of Dr. W. B. Riley's pastorate. The membership has grown from 585 to 1,762, and out of this church have organized two others. They have developed a Bible and missionary training school, support some foreign missionaries, do city missions. The contributions have gone from \$14,762 to \$70,290. In a down-town section, the church is crowded and growth is constant. He is true to the old Book and fervent in evangelistic

Paul seemed always on the lookout for things to be grateful for. The beginnings of his epistles almost always voice some praise for grace exhibited by the people to whom he was writing. One of the gladdest of his letters is that to the Philippians for whom he had a special affection, and that not without reason. The particular reason in their case was for their fellowship in the furtherance of the gospel, their sharing with him according to their opportunity and ability to do the work of ministering the gospel. This they did by supporting him in the 'defense and confirmation of the gospel" and in ministering to him personally when he was in prison. This recalls the word of Jesus concerning the reward to those who give a cup of cold water to a disciple, or receiving one because he is a prophet, or preacher of the gospel. If people realized that to support a missionary is to be rewarded equally with him, there would be less lagging in our mission work. Many of our men ought to pay the salaries of a missionary, and thus share in the furtherance of the gospel. Let our offerings be proportionate to the gifts of the missionary's time. It was by gifts of material support that Paul was helped to do his work. It is God's plan to give every one of His children a share in the work of saving the world. Your gifts at this season will determine the plans and extent of mission work, and the number saved hereafter ...

The world read with amazement last Friday the announcement in the morning papers that there had been a revolution in Russia and the Czar forced to abdicate, his youngest brother being made regent. This has been approaching since the efforts of the Czar to dissolve the Duma and discourage its participation in the government. It was further fomented by the apparent sympathy of many of the rulers with Germany and the slack and possibly dishonest conduct of the war. It was finally precipitated by the bread riots in Petrograd. The suddenness and unexpectedness of it was such as to make one wonder if it was an April first story. It may be the beginning of what many have been predicting, namely, that this world-war would result in the rule of the people and the overthrow of privileged classes. Work of this sort goes on under the cover and then appears with a suddenness that is startling. God must surely purpose to bring some great and universal good out of this fearful condition that has come upon the world. Are the hearts of men turning to Him in this hour of uncertainty and peril?

Brother Edw. J. Caswell, formerly associate pastor of the First Baptist church, of Lexington, Ky., entered upon his work as pastor of the First Baptist church, of West Point, Miss., on March 1. The West End Mission has prospered greatly under his ministry, and he has made a large contribution to the work in Lexington. He is easily the equal of any preacher, of his age, of our acquaintance. West Point is one of our best and most substantial churches, and we predict for him a great work. - Western Re-

If some of the language employed in describing the Sunday School work seems difficult of understanding to you, such as "seals," "diplomas," "training course," "A-1," etc., just make up your mind to go to the next convention and learn what they mean.

Union University, at Jackson, Tenn., has passed the 500 mark in its enrollment.

Georgetown College is now endeavoring to secure \$30,000 for the endowment of a Bible chair. This seems little enough. Why not make it fifty?

The British army in the Tigris has restored their lost prestige by the capture of Bagdad, one of the oldest and largest cities of Central Asia, and for a long time the Moslem capital.

Mr. Vernon Lowrey, son of Dr. B. G. Lowrey, underwent a serious operation at the Baptist Memorial Hospital, Memphis, last Saturday. He has been in ill health for several months, but we hope this may completely restore him.

Official reports give the number of killed, wounded and captured up to date in the European war at 10,000,000. Nearly half of these were killed. It is said that nearly twice as many of the entente have been killed as of the Teu-

Mr. N. T. Tull was Sunday morning at Pelahatchie, explaining the budget and its working. Sunday night he spoke at First church, Meridian, and on Monday night had the satisfaction of seeing them adopt the budget with enthusiasm and set it a-going with a canvassing committee of forty men.

In Atlanta the other day we saw a new Methodist meeting-house, built by the Northern Methodists on a corner across from a Baptist church. Hardly more than four blocks away in one direction was a Southern Methodist church and also another church of that denomination about four blocks away in the opposite direction. What Northern Methodists are doing in Atlanta, Ga., i na community already fully churched, we cannot imagine. It looks like building up a religious machine at the expense of the kingdom of God .- Standard.

Editor Gray, of The Standard, seems surprised that in one morning he had this "unusual He was shaved by a man who took his State Baptist paper, bought a morning paper from a boy who attended a Baptist Sunday School, was served at the breakfast table by a waiter who belonged to a Baptist church, and found that the head waiter was also a Baptist. He says the man who took the Baptist paper rendered him the best service. And then he asks his readers to "guess where," saying this could not have happened in Chicago or New York in a million years. Evidently, Dr. Gray has been down in Dixie. It sounds just like it might have happened right here in Jackson.

A strange and belated vindication of a man who was once condemned and hung, recently came to light at Columbia, Miss., by the confession of a man by the name of Beard, just before his death. He was converted and confessed to the murder for which W. I. Purvis was hung twenty-four years ago. But the strangest part of it is that Purvis, though hung, is still living At the attempted execution, the rope broke and the crowd saved him. His sentence was then commuted to life imprisonment, and later he was pardoned. He is living happily with his wife and children and bears no malice. It is by good Providence that his life was spared. The original trouble was made by white cappers.

S. S. & B. Y. P. U. CONVENTION

AT PONTOTOC, MARCH 13-15, 1917

Full of surprises was the meeting at Pontotoe. Some of us were prepared to see a small attendance because the place was supposed to be somewhat remote and inaccessible. But when we drew up at the church on Tuesday night all fears vanished. By the opening two hundred people had come in and before we had gone far the crowd was away beyond anybody's calculation. pastor and committee handled the crowd admirably. The thunder storm at the opening hour didn't disturb the meeting, for the room was full in spite of a heavy rain. The electric lights were put out of commission for a short while, but things moved right on as if that was a part of the program. The singing was cheery and spiritual. The one scheduled for the welcoming address and the one for the response were not on hand, but Pastor Holcomb and Dr. Lawrence spoke as if they had made a month's preparation, only possibly better and briefer. Dr. P. I. Lipsey was installed as presiding officer and then came the sermon by Dr. H. L. Winburn, pastor of Walnut street church, Louisville, Ky. It was a message that plumbed the line, fitting the purpose of the meeting, on the text, "Workers together with God." So simple, direct and forceful, taking the natural divisions: (1) "Workers," showing the dignity and value of labor; (2) "together," showing the necessity and effectiveness of co-operation in all work, especially Christian service; (3) "with God," making God our partner and us His in the great enterprises of His kingdom. Looks like anybody could preach it. Try it.

The people were taken to hospitable homes of every faith, all over this vigorous little city; not before they had expressed their admiration for this beautiful church building, so admirably suited to the King's bus-Wednesday morning witnessed a transformation in the weather, a beautiful day following the stormy night, bringing out a great crowd to the morning meetings. Here the limitations of a reporter come into evidence, for when there are two meetings at one time, only one can be visited. B. Y. P. U. section met at the Methodist church and "they say" it was a great meeting. The Sunday School section met at the Baptist church. Dr. J. Benj. Lawrence spoke of the Sunday School as a factor in our denominational life. He fitted his subject and knew how to fit it to the 'crowd and the

Dr. Wiley, of Oklahoma, being absent, the remainder of the hour was given our new man, W. A. Chisholm on "Problems in Adult Work," and a "Demonstration of Primary Work" by Miss Minnie Brown. Brother Chisholm spoke of the work of the eight class officers. He put stress upon: (1) Personality, (2) enthusiasm, (3) loyalty, and (4) organizing spirit. He said the Meth-

odists were not the only people who had "quarterly meetings," that the classes that carried the Sunday School quarterly were also guilty. In the questionaire which followed, he recommended the buying of books on Sunday School work, for valuable suggestions and inspiration, and visiting the people to awakening enthusiasm.

Miss Minnie Brown, in charge of the primary department at Pontotoc, gave a most instructive demonstration of her work by bringing in the children and carrying through their program and drill. She had the preachers wondering if they could do all that the little fellows did, in quoting the Scriptures and naming the books of the Bible. We are sorry for the folks at Pontotoc for they stand a mighty good chance to lose the superintendent of the primary department, who is one of the most capable women in the State and will be in demand for that special work in a larger field.

Brother O. P. Estes suits the music to the occasion and sings with the spirit and with the understanding also. It was every way good to have him lead the music. The whole convention including visitors came together in a great congregation at 11 o'clock to hear the sermon by Dr. Winburn. By this time the attendance had passed all precedents and went beyond the last meeting of the State Convention. The sermon was on "Withered Hands," a splendid exposition of the healing of the man in the synagogue. It showed how hands become withered and how they may become strong and serviceable.

The afternoon was given to B. Y. P. U. work, W. E. Holcomb, presiding. Reports were made by representatives of B. Y. P. U's in close touch with college life, by Messrs. Palmer and Fortenberry, of Clinton; Carter, of Newton; Ballard, of Blue Mountain; President Johnson, of Hattiesburg, and Superintendent Carter, of the Orphanage. Then the A-1 Unions reported through Misses Pack, of Hattiesburg, and Horton, of Holly Springs; Mesdames Walker, of Laurel, and Bow, of Meridian, and a brother from Ecru. The Laurel City Union reported through Brother Walters. Beside these there are A-1 Unions at Oak Grove, Pine Grove, West Laurel, Wausau, South Side Meridian, Tupelo and Oxford. Then came reports from other Unions at Vicksburg, Jackson, Durant. Winona, Pontotoc, Alexandria, Brookhaven, New Albany, Meridian, Myrtle and Newton. The time expired before others could speak, but fifty unions were represented from evry part of the State. The speakers were limited to three minutes.

Pastor W. E. Farr, of Blue Mountain, spoke on the place of the B. Y. P. U. in Baptist schools. He spoke of the place and principles of Baptists, including Roger Williams, the first constitutional amendment, attributed to Baptists, the origin of public schools

accredited to Baptists, William Carey, Sam Houston the Baptist, Vassar College, Brown University. Baptists have been pioneers in the past and are so today in methods of training. This is the work of the B. Y. P. U. He showed that more are dying today without Christ than are being killed in the European war.

One of the most practical speeches of the convention was made by Pastor Morgan, of Brookhaven, who was introduced as in every way a giant and spoke on "The Pastor and the B. Y. P. U." He said this organization was not simply to give them something to do, but to furnish a worthy objective, not for the employment of their surplus energies but to accomplish results in others. The pastor must be to the young people their ideal of sympathetic information and devoted energy. He must be a leader in every department of church life. He must have an ideal and direct their energies, must be resourceful, unceasing and untiring. Churches and pastors are too comfortable. The reason we don't lead is that we don't stay in front. The B. Y. P. U. should have no dues, but be supported by the church and should in lividually support the church budget and in every way be an essential part of the church life. The pastor must be an interpreter and advocate of the church's mission. The young people take their work seriously. The prayer meeting of the Brookhaven church was this week conducted by the Junior B. Y. P. U.

Then there followed a demonstration by the Junior B. Y. P. U., of Tupelo, conducted by Mrs. Cloar. There were twenty-three of them and they went through the program of last Sunday from start to finish. It was well done and several times elicited applause from the congregation. Like Miss Brown's primary department, they seemed to have songs made to order which were sung to popular melodies. This only goes to show how it can be done when there is somebody behind it.

Wednesday Night.

Here the program had to be re-arranged, and it was done without a moment's delay or disappointment. Dr. Winburn had been called away and Dr. Wiley did not arrive, but the committee substituted President J. L. Johnson, of the Woman's College, and Secretary J. B. Lawrence preached. President Johnson spoke of the Sunday School teachers' training course in our colleges, illustrating it from his experience at the Woman's College, where in four years the eight books are studied and a blue seal diploma is a necessary condition to graduation in the college, Dr. Lawrence's sermon was described as logic on fire from the text, "Be strong in the Lord and the power of His might."

Thursday morning the two sections had separate meetings, and the B. Y. P. U. division had among other good speakers Mr. Arthur Flake, who looks after this department of work for the Sunday School Board, at Nashville. In the other section, Dr. Kimbrough, of Vicksburg, made an excellent talk on "The Spiritual Equipment."

Then Brother W. L. Pack, superintendent of the great Sunday School at First church, Hattiesburg, made a talk. He has a well equipment of in He is provided in Min and have

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superintendent at First church, He has a well equipped building and illustrated it with a series of charts. It was an eye-opener. Brother Pack keeps himself alive by the reading of invigorating books in his line every year. He showed how every department may be provided for even in a one-room church, where that is all that can be had.

Mr. Herman Dean, a wide-awake lawyer and department superintendent, of Brookhaven, showed how to secure teacher train-He said it could be done even if you had to use the arts and methods of giving a child medicine. He had used the teaching hour in Sunday School and then having classes in a section of the town with increasingly good results. Mr. A. K. Godbold, superintendent of First McComb, spoke of the program for Sunday morning. Begin a month ahead, or two weeks at least. Give your young men a chance to talk, put prayer on it and in it. Give everybody some part, select songs wisely beforehand, begin on time don't drag

When 10:30 came, the big house was full again and three specialists held the floor and the attention of everybody. Brethren W. E. Holcomb and W. A. Chisholm spoke of the Baptist program. This meant the organization of workers' conventions in every association or county, and of beat conventions and of Sunday Schools in every church not having them and in every community where there are none. Much of this work has been done but a good deal remains to be done and this will be Brother Chisholm's Brother Tull showed how the specialty. lack of a financial plan is the weak point in our church work and how it may be corrected by working the budget properly. Get him to come and show your folks how it is done.

Thursday afternoon was the time for reports. They were legion in number, variety and buoyancy. First came those who had taken the post-graduate work in teacher training and hold the gold seal diploma. Their names are worthy of record in the place of honor: Miss Kate Brown, Rev. T. A. J. Beasley, Mrs. J. M. Pritchard, Mrs. John W. Brown, Miss Minnie Brown, Mrs. R. B. Patterson, Mrs. R. L. Lyon, Miss Sadie Cransby and Miss Sue Souter, the last having also taken extension work from the Seminary. Then there were listed those who had taken the eight books and had a blue seal diploma, then those who had the di-It was a fine ploma for the first book. bunch. Then there were reports from Sunday Schools that were A-1 and those that were near A-1. It was enough to awaken ambition and make everybody wish that all the folks back home were here. H. L. Watts made special report for Winona which has been A-1 for nine years. Dr. B. G. Lowrey made report for Mississippi College for which he is doing excellent service.

The closing address of the afternoon was by Rev. J. J. Cloar, pastor at Tupelo, and it was a joy to hear a man speak out of his heart full of conviction of truth and the Spirit of Christ. His subject was "The Pastor and the Sunday School." He said the pastor must believe in it, recognize it as the most intimate friend, his companion in the organizing of the kingdom. He must know his teaching force. A mistake here is fatal.

The teachers must know Jesus, they must our Foreign Mission Board, and we can, we know the doctrine, must know and believe in God's Book, must know the material, the children whom they teach, recognize the vital force in boys. The teacher must start in with a full head of steam. They must bring their pupils to Jesus. The test of his work in the results he gets.

In the business session which followed, Mr. H. L. Watts, as chairman of the nominating committee, reported Kosciusko as the next place of meeting; time, March 13-15; president, Dr. C. Longest; vice-presidents, W. N. Pack and J. N. Palmer; convention secretary, A. K. Godbold; B. Y. P. U. secretary, Charles Walters. W. E. Farr reported for the enrollment committee that 320 had registered, Tupelo leading with 48; Blue Mountain and Ecru following with 35 and 28, respectively. They came from the four corners of the State, from Liberty in the southwest, from McComb, Poplarville, Hattiesburg, Kewanee, Shubuta and on "round the square." General T. L. Holcomb managed everything and everybody with tact and skill. The flowers in the church were beautiful. The lunches served at the church saved time for the visitors and enabled the locals to attend and satisfied everybody. Somebody remarked that "the secretary of the interior" evidently had charge of the commissary. The closing service on Thursday night was a sermon by Rev. J. J. Cloar, which we regretted to miss as it was necessary for us to travel all night to be back at this desk Friday morning. It was a live convention all the way through, without a moment of dullness or confusion. We hope to publish "impressions" from twenty visitors this week.

THE PRINCIPLE UNDERLYING OUR MISSION WORK.

You close the paragraph, referring to my suggestion about eliminating our Home Mission Board, with a very significant question, and I want to thank you for it-"But, if this principle were the one on which we worked, would it not do away with the Foreign Board and all other boards?"

Seriously, I think it is generally understood to be the desire of every redeemed soul, devoutly desired, that we may reach the day, that great and glorious day of missionary achievement, when we will not even need the Foreign Mission Board to carry on the work of the kingdom-and, I do not belong to that little group of millenialists, who think that this is "the Saturday evening of time," and Christ is ready to come to organize a great evangelistic campaign of a thousand years to do by a so-called second coming what His first coming failed to do - not much, I don't.

When the day comes, as I am expecting to see, when the work of our Foreign Mission Board is being done, so to speak by State and Home Mission Boards, on our foreign fields, just as the work first mapped out to be done by our Home Mission Board, is being done, at home, by the several mission boards; when that day comes, as come it will, we trust, of course, we will not need must discontinue it.

The deep, broad principle underlying our mission work, which you invoke, would peremptorily demand, does demand the discontinuance of any and all agencies, when their work is accomplished either by themselves or some other agency. I claim, after much study of the question, that we have just about reached the point of development in our State mission work, when by a little readjustment, which our several state boards are abundantly able to do, we can carry on all our work with increasing efficiency, letting no part of it suffer anywhere for the lack of support, without the assistance of the Home Mission Board; and, if we have, there is only one thing to do-discontinue that board.

To put it concretely: What use has Mississippi for the services of the Home Board Last year Mississippi gave the Home Board \$24,071.32; of this amount, the Home Board gave back to Mississippi, \$5,598.33. Mississippi need the Home Board Surely not. And what is true of Mississippi is more or less true, of all the states but four, the Home Board itself being the judge. Now, if Mississippi cannot, in co-operation with the other states, devise a way to use that \$5,598.33, which she sends to Atlanta only to have Atlanta to send back to her, then in such a case, it is not the services of the Home Mission Board she needs so much as it is-somebody else; and "charity" forbids my calling that somebody else by name, as I am an "exile."

The fact of the business is, brother editor, the rapid growth of our State mission work, happily, has just about occupied the field of the Home Board; and nobody ought to be happier than the Home Board, that this is so. It is like this: From my window I can see, in the distance, the remains of a fine, old saw mill, once very profitable to its owners, but now dismantled. Why? What was the matter, that they should tear down a saw mill? Well, it is a short story: Mills sprang up out nearer the timber, and the work of this mill passed on to others, and the owners, being business men, shut down. They might have said, "This mill has done a great work in the past; we will keep up steam, hold our 'hands' together as a 'bond of union,' blow the whistle and see the ma chinery run-and, now and then get a load of logs from the other mills, when the orders crowd them, and saw some more." Do you see the application, brother editor? If not, call in your "office boy;" he can do that "stunt," I am sure.

W. P. PRICE.

Waycross, Ga.

The B. Y. P. U. department, which was interrupted some time ago, will be resumed in The Record, with Brother W. E. Holcomb in charge. This is an arrangement which we sought years ago and were unable to effect. Now that our force of workers in this line has been increased, we are glad to make the announcement. Material for the B. Y. P. U. department may be sent to W. E. Holcomb at Quitman.

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EDITORIAL.

MORE ABOUT ELECTION.

Dear Brother Lipsey:

I hope I will not be considered too obtrusive, if I should ask for further information from you in regard to your article "About Election," published in The Baptist Record of the 8th, instant.

First, Do you hold that none are recipients of salvation except the elect, and that the election which secured to them salvation took place before the foundation of the world?

Second, Do you agree with my view of the Scriptures, that the Bible is true from the beginning to the end; that is, from Genesis to Revelation, inclusive?

I hope you will publish this brief article, with your answer to these plain questions, as there is a contrariety of opinions by members of the Baptist church, among laymen and preachers on this subject, and it may be that you will be able to satisfy all men "who are not afflicted with total blindness," who read The Baptist Record, that you are clearly right in the conclusions you will have reached and published. Fraternally.

W. S. CHAPMAN.

Let us answer the second question first, as that helps us to answer the first. No question of faith or theology is settled until that is, and that ought to enable us to settle all the rest. Yes; we believe that the Bible is true from beginning to end, that is, from Genesis through Revelation, because we believe it is the Word of God, every part of which is equally and fully inspired and therefore infallible and authoritative. There is no surer thing in the world than this and we thought everybody who reads The Baptist Record knew our conviction. Believing this first is the reason that we believe in the doctrine of sovereign, eternal election of grace.

The Bible teaches that "none are recipients of salvation except the elet." Here are its words, "No man can come unto me except the Father that sent me draw him." "All that which the Father giveth me shall come unto me." "Every one that hath heard from the Father, and hath learned, cometh

unto me." Jesus said, "Ye have not chosen me but I have chosen you and ordained you." Again, He said, "No one knoweth the Son save the Father; neither doth any know the Father, save the Son and he to whomsoever the Son willeth to reval Him." This is in the same chapter (Mt. 11) where He has said, "I thank Thee, O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that Thou didst hide these things from the wise and understanding and didst reval them unto babes." Again in this same chapter He says that if the same opportunities had been given to the people of Tyre or Sidon, or Sodom, they would have repented. But they were not given the same opportunity. Every man who becomes a Christian knows that the initiative in the matter was with God and not with himself. The only ground of anybody's salvation was in the purpose of God who worketh all things after the counsel of his own will. Let it be remembered that it is an "election of grace," not an election of condemnation. There are human conditions of salvation, as faith and repentance. But the ground of our salvation is in God's purpose and His work in Christ.

As to when this election took place, this was made plain in the previous article by quoting from the first chapter of Ephesians, According as He chose us in Him before the foundation of the world." That ought to settle the matter with those who believe the Bible. There are other Scriptures which make clear individual responsibility and the freedom of the human will. It is our part to believe and accept all alike. A preacher soon learns that "except the Lord build the house they labor in vain who build it;" that "it is not by might nor by power, but by my Spirit, saith the Lord." Better have the prayer before the sermon. "You hath He quickened who were dead through your trespasses and sins." What difference does it make so far as the responsibility for the act is concerned whether the purpose and choosing took place five minutes before the quickening or in eternity. It was God who did it. But as a matter of fact the Word tells that it was "before the foundation of the world."

Now and then somebody who thinks more highly of his own will and standards than the will of God, says, "If I believed that the doctrine of election was taught in the Bible, I would throw the whole thing overboard and be an infidel." This is exactly what some did in the synagogue at Capernaum when Jesus taught that "no man could come to Him except it be given him of the Father." They said, "This is a hard saying; who can hear it?" And it was said, "Upon this many of his disciples went back and walked no more with him." But others, like Peter, are ready to say, "Lord, to whom shall we go? Thou hast the words of eternal life."

HUMOR AND RELIGION.

A group of preachers a few days ago were set to thinking by the prohibition of Paul against jesting. The question came up as to the propriety of a Christian indulging in joking. The statement in Ephesians that certain forbidden things are not to be named among them, among which are filthiness, foolish talking and jesting "which are not befitting." Does this put indulgence in humor in the catalogue of forbidden things? Or is it that certain kinds of humor are prohibited, or that excessive employment of it is condemned? The answer to this is likely to depend on the mental composition of the one answering, how much or what sort he has in his own make-up.

The other things condemned in this connection would seem to throw some light on the character of jesting spoken of. Words, like people, are known by the company they keep. Here filthiness and foolish talking describe coarseness and ribaldry and indicate that the jesting here is of that character. For this reason the prohibition of it in the Bible ought to be made clear and emphatic. Somehow filthiness of speech commonly takes the form of a jest; only in this way is it made to pass among people making any pretense to respectability. It is true also that joking gravitates toward coarseness and, unrestrained, it winds up in obscene speech. Doubtless among the people of the first century, lascivious speech and practices were all but universal, and it was necessary to deal with the situation with severity.

Yet even in our day there are reasons for being put on guard with reference to the habit of joking. Some men's minds are so constituted and their habits of thought and speech are such that a jest starts them on the down-grade and one joke provokes another, each one being a little more salacious or odorous than its predecessor, and in the average group the jesting becomes coarse. Even where it does not degenerate into coarseness, it is likely to become a dissipation and a disease. The danger is that one gets into a frame where everything turns to a joke and life is robbed of seriousness and gravity, just as the stomach of a dyspeptic reaches a stage where everything sours and the simplest and most innocent diet turns to poison. Life becomes a joke and religion a jest. There is a point where the sense of humor, instead of being a sign of mental health, becomes a symptom of disease, just as a ruddy complexion may indicate health or an inward fever. A brilliant eye may indicate a splendid mind or in certain circumstances a disordered brain. It is sad when a man sees only the funny side of everything. Life is too serious a business to be turned into a joke.

The following is the text of the prohibition amendment to the United States Constitution, which the states will probably have the privilege of voting on soon: "Section 1. The sale, manufacture, or transportation of intoxicating liquors within, the importation thereof into; and the exportation thereof from, the United States and all territory subject to the jurisdiction thereof for beverage purposes are hereby prohibited. Sec. 2. The Congress shall have power to enforce this article by appropriate legislation."

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How many of us have wished we might have been among those who saw the Lord Jesus with their own eyes and heard Him speak, that we might have seen His mighty works and been permitted to go to Him with our burdens and our questions? Yes, it does seem that it would have been easier to believe. Easier, it might have been, but does that mean that it would have been better for us? Did not Jesus Himself indicate that the faith is superior which depends not on the eyes? He said to Thomas, "Because thou hast seen me, thou hast believed; blessed are they that have not seen, and yet have believed." It is a purer faith, a higher type that answers to the word of Christ without depending upon the physical demonstration. It is this that Jesus is seeking today and sought in the nobleman from Capernaum when he said, "Except ye see signs and wonders, ye will in no wise believe." Jesus yearns for the simple abandonment of faith that fully trusts His word and waits not for Faith that demands proof is not faith; it is the very contradiction of faith. That is real faith which risks its all for time and eternity upon the simple word of Jesus. It is the inward sense of truth and craving for righteousness which finds satisfaction in Christ alone. The proof comes in the witness of the Spirit when we have acted wholly on faith in his word of promise or command.

Some changes have taken place in the management of the Christian Index, the worthy Baptist paper of Georgia. It was owned and published by the Index Printing Co., with Dr. Graham as editor and manager. At his suggestion, a new company is formed with Dr. S. Y. Jamison as president and managing editor, to be known as the Christian Index Co., the stock to be distributed over the State. This company will publish the Index and operate a book business. Dr. Graham still continues with the paper as one of the editors but will give more of his time to other work. He has been connected with the Index for seventeen years, and since the retirement of Dr. P. T. Bell, has been sole editor, maintaining a high standard of religious journalism.

The Campbellites refuse to be called a denomination; that is, they refuse to have a name, but, as usual, the child that hasn't any name is called by more names than any other boy in the neighborhood. He will be called "Bud," or "Shug," or "Buster," or "Kid," or most anything that comes to hand. Other folks seem willing to call them almost anything but "Christians." Wonder why they gag at that! Maybe it is because they think that calling a dog's tail a leg doesn't make it a leg. Call them by whatever name you will, you can generally tell one wherever you see him, for you are sure to hear him, and they all sing the same song to the same tune and never get further than the first verse.

Send twenty-five cents for a sample copy of the newest song book, "Treasury of Song," compiled by Robert H. Coleman. The Baptist Record, Jackson, Miss. Miss Lackey went out to Camden last Sunday, and organized the Woman's Missionary Society and the Young Woman's Auxiliary. The work begins well.

Jackson College, the school for Negroes, conducted in Jackson by Northern Baptists. will celebrate its fortieth anniversary at the commencement in May. They expect a great occasion and a great company.

The agreement between the Home and Foreign Boards is that the money contributed by the Sunday Schools next Sunday for missions shall be divided in ratio of two to home missions and three to foreign missions.

The Senatobia church is pleased with the working of the budget plan of collections, and voted unanimously to add \$200 a year to the pastor's salary. He has been with them nearly ten years, and seems likely to stay many more.

Mrs. Eleanor Hoyt Porter has written a new book called "The Road to Understanding," price \$1.35. Mrs. Porter is the author of the famous "Pollyanna" books and of "Just David." Send orders to The Baptist Record, Jackson, Miss.

The home mission treasurer informs us that receipts from Mississippi up to March 15th, were \$2,716.14. Does this make you feel uncomfortable? The cure for this condition is a good strong collection. Only \$127,324.73 have been given by all the states, which is \$9,000 more than last year.

Advance orders for Dr. E. Y. Mullins' new book, "Life in Christ," are now being booked by The Baptist Record. The price is \$1.35 net. If you send this amount before publication day, the book will be sent postpaid. If you send a new subscription and ask for the book, it will be sent free.

Pastor Wall has started birthday offerings for a church building at Clinton. A good many people were born again in Clinton, and many had their spiritual life quickened and their horizon enlarged there who have gone abroad to be a blessing to others. If all these should join the birthday band, it would swell the list of contributors.

A member at Canton writes, "Since the arrival of Brother J. C. Robinson in our city, the business of the church in every phase of its activity has seen unprecedented prosperity. Our church has already taken definite action to build and is now maturing plans for the construction of a modern, classic and spacious house in which to worship, to cost about \$18,000, with adequate Sunday School and departmental rooms; Junior and Senior B. Y. P. U's have been organized; prayer meeting has been thoroughly revived, and a teachers' training course has been organized for the equipment of our teachers. In other words, our church is on a boom; and our pastor has proven himself a capable and efficient leader.

A rich and varied program, touching wide range of topics vital to the great kingdom interests represented in the Pontotoe Convention, presented and illustrated practically and forcibly by workers who know because they have done and are doing, directed by the greatest experts and most lovable men in the Southern field, carefully guarded by pastors alive enough to realize and delight in the tremendous powers being developed, young enough (even with hoar hairs) to sympathize with every aim and enthusiasm, all cast in a setting of happy hospitality and cordial fellowship - I simply cannot imagine any greater conception of glorious Christian youth coming to an appreciation of its potential strength and intelligently striving to develop it, nor any surroundings more conducive to that development, than exemplified in the Pontotoe Convention!-Hermon Dean, Teacher, Brookhaven, Miss.

Dr. W. D. Powell reports that the educational secretary of the Home Mission Society (North) has offered to give \$275,000 for a school for Negroes in New Orleans, to be controlled by the Home Mission Board (South), and that Secretary B. D. Gray has expressed his approval of it.

I was so favorably impressed with the Pontotoc Convention that I hope to attend the one at Kosciusko. It was good to be there, for the enthusiasm that existed in the meeting was contagious. — Miss Fanctfel Wales, Canton, Miss.

O. W. Greer, of Winchester, Tenn., has resigned at Winchester, Tenn., and will be ready for work elsewhere in April.

There will be a campaign in Alabama in June and July to raise \$100,000 for Judson College and Howard College.

Next Sunday is Mission Day in the Sunday Schools. Make the most of it.

MISSISSIPPI WOMAN'S COLLEGE.

Our second term examinations are just over, and we are beginning the third and last term of the session. The students celebrated the end of examinations Saturday night with a "Tacky Party" in the gymnasium.

Dr. H. R. McKeen, community expert, spent Wednesday and Thursday with us giving us five lectures upon the upbuilding of the community.

The Sunday School and B. Y. P. U. Convention at Pontotoc was a great success in every way. The attendance was large; the spirit was fine and the program was helpful and inspirng. Pastor Holcomb and people, as well as all the denominations in the town, gave most gracious hospitality.

The college received last week a cash contribution of \$1,000, to be used as a loan fund in helping worthy girls receive an education. The donor made one condition and that was that his name be not made known.

J. L. JOHNSON.

Hattiesburg, Miss.

John T. Christian, A. M., D. D., LL. D.

LOVE; OR THE FOUNDATION AND FRUITAGE OF THE BELIEVER.

We have fallen upon a great passage and a great theme. That passage is John 3:16, "For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life." The theme is love. Luther calls this verse the Little Gospel, or the Little Bible. For the whole gospel; yea, the whole Bible, is condensed in these words. On the tiny retina of the eye-is pictured a wide extended landscape in the minutest details mountains, rivers, forests, fields, cities, villages. Peter Bales in the days of Queen Elizabeth, wrote the whole Bible in so small a space that it could be enclosed in the shell of a common walnut. In our day, I am told, that the whole Bible has been photographed on thin plates, so that altogether it would make a package as large only as a fair sized pea. So the whole Bible, the whole gospel, the whole scheme of redemption, is condensed in the few words of this verse. This verse is said to be the best thing ever put in human speech. It is infinite riches contained in a little room. It is richer than the Treasure Room in the Tower of London; or the Salon care of the Louvre.

Prof. Drummond says, "Love is a compound thing; Paul tells us it is like light. As you have seen a man of science take a beam of light and pass it through a crystal prism broken up into its component colors -red and blue, and yellow, and violet, and orange, and all the colors of the rainbow so Paul passes this thing, Love, through the magnificent prism of his inspired intellect, and it comes out on the other side broken up into its elements. And in these few words we have what one might call the Spectrum of Love, the analysis of Love. Will you observe what its elements are? Will you notice that they have common names, that they are virtues which we hear about every day; that they are things which can be practiced by every man in every place in life; and how by a multitude of small things and ordinary virtues, the supreme thing, the summum bonum, is made up?

"Light is something more than the sum of its ingredients—a glowing, dazzling, tremulous ether. A love is something more than all its elements, a palpitating, quivering, sensitive, living thing. By synthesis of all the colors, men can make witnesses, they cannot make light. By synthesis of all the virtues men can make virtue, they cannot make love.

"As every lovely hue is light,

So every grace is love." (The Greatest Thing in the World.)

John presents two aspects of love. The first is that love is the fundamental reason assigned in the divine economy for the salvation of men; and the second is that the love of the believer finds its principal fruit-

age from the love of the Christ. One or the other of these aspects of love is found in every reference in the gospel of John.

1. Love is the fundamental cause of the salvation of men. Men are saved because God so loved the world as to give His own Son for their salvation. Men do not love God, but God loves men. This love manifests itself in the death of Jesus Christ.

Some critics have insisted that John makes but little of the death of Christ, but everything of His life. They say that we are saved by the life of Christ and not by the death of Christ. While the first three gospels make much of the death and resurrection of Jesus, John takes up his time discussing the life of Jesus—especially that mystical life which the believer obtains from union with the **Logos** or the Person of Christ.

This statement is more specious than accurate. It rests upon a mistaken viewpoint of the gospel of John and the purposes of his argument. It is a fact that the first three gospels begin with the birth of Jesus and work up through his temporal life to the tragedy of the cross, and the glory of His resurrection. They thus approach a glorious climax. They say but little in the early chapters about the death, except now and then an allusion to heighten the effect. They save all for the great scenes of Calvary. This is the natural historical method. This is justified by the facts in the case.

John however, assumes no such standpoint in his gospel. The purpose of his book is not a historical delineation of the life of Christ. He presents a historical argument to prove that Jesus Christ is the Son of God so that men may believe upon him. He presumes that the facts of the life of Jesus are perfectly well known; and he chooses such details, some of them recorded in the other gospels, some of them out of his own knowledge, some of them from the mouth of competent witnesses, as would strengthen his argument and confirm his thesis. His object was, therefore, entirely apart from the object of the other three evangelists. He states in the very first chapter the sacrificial character of the death of Jesus, and illustrated it throughout the entire gospel. The height of his argument is not the tragedy of Calvary, but a proof of the deity of Jesus Christ. His is a historical argument illustrated by historic narrative. He lays down a premise and arrives at a conclusion. The want of an understanding of this great fact has caused some critics to limp, and has been the occasion on their part of a want of a true understanding of the gospel of John. Many commentators have complained that John, without any sense of order, has too frequently referred to the death of Jesus.

The abundant life in the gospel of John pre-supposes that Jesus died for the sins of the world. The life of Jesus depicted by John means far more than the biography of Jesus. It means the complete sacrificial offering of Jesus for sin and the consequent eternal life through union with Christ by believing in Him. There is no contrast between the life and death of Jesus in the writings of John, for life includes all that Jesus does for the salvation of men. Never for a mo-

ment does John ignore the substitutionary work of Jesus. In fact, he makes as much of the death of the Christ. Paul not excepted, as any writer of the entire Bible. This is true in his gospel, first epistle and the Apocalypse.

A passage from the Apocalypse, "And from Jesus Christ, who is the faithful witness, and the first begotten from the dead, and the prince of the kings of the earth. Unto him that loved us, and washed us from our sins in his own blood, and had made us kings and priests unto God and his Father; to him be glory and dominion for ever and ever. Amen" (Rev. 1:5-6). This carries us at once to the heart of the subject. The love of Christ is permanent and unchanging, and John thinks of it as such; and the demonstration of it rests upon the fact that he has washed us in his own blood. The blood of Christ was the ransom price which he paid for our liberation. Sin, or rather sins, held men in bondage; and from this degrading servitude Christ purchased their freedom at no less a cost than his own life. It is not an undefined good will, it is the love revealed in this dear bought emancipation of the sinfull which inspires the doxology, "to him that loveth us." Redemption, it may be said, springs from love, and yet love is a word we do not know the meaning of till it is interpreted to us by redemption (Denney, The Death of Christ, 244. New York, 1903).

Without quoting other passages from the Apocalypse, we may piece together the various lights which the Revelation casts on the death of Jesus: (1) That death is regarded as a great demonstration of love (1:5). (2) It is a death that once for all achieved something-washed us from our sins. There is a finished work in it. (3) It is a death that has an abiding power (v. 6). (4) The abiding power is exercised in this, that it enables men to be faithful to Christ under persecution, to suffer with him rather than to sin (12:11). Christ Himself was a martyr, and the typical Christian is a martyr, too. To be a martyr is to furnish the decisive proof that the abiding power of Christ's blood is being exercised over one's life. (5) The blood of Christ does something once for all-in breaking the bond which sin holds us by, and in bringing us into such a relation to God that we are a people of priests-and does something progressively, in assuring our gradual assimilation to Jesus Christ as a faithful witness.

One grand passage is quoted out of the l'irst Epistle of John. It has in it many of the terms of and might find a fit place in the gospel of John: "If we say we have fellowship with him, and walk in darkness, we lie, and do not the truth; but if we walk in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanseth us from all sin. If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness" (! Jno. 1.6-9).

When we turn to the gospel of John the death of Christ is illustrative in a great variety of ways. It seems to turn a peculiar significance in John.

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Department of the Convention Board

J. BENJ. LAWRENCE, Cor. Sec., Jackson, Miss.

Mission Day in the Sunday School March 25th.

The good of yesterday should grow into better today; the best always belongs to tomorrow.

It is when one's wish to rise to the desire for holiness is manifested that he discovers the imperfectness of his life.

Christianity has no abler advocates than those quiet and humble men and women who in the light of it and the strength of it live holy, beautiful and self-denying lives.

The Sunday School and B. Y. P. U. Convention at Pontotoc was a glorious success. There was not a dull moment from beginning to end. Even though the meeting was held in the extreme northeastern part of the State, a little difficult of access and far removed from a large part of our Baptist constituency, yet the attendance was a recordbreaker, there being about 350 registered delegates.

Mission Day in the Sunday School.

We have sent programs for Mission Day in the Sunday School to every Sunday School superintendent whose name we could get. We hope the superintendents will display the charts sent so that the whole school can be apprised of the fact that this day is to be held.

We have also sent a letter to every superintendent asking for a definite amount for home and foreign missions. Let's make this day one of great spiritual uplift and power, and also one of ingathering of funds for home and foreign missions.

We have a good many programs yet on hand and will supply any superintendent who failed to get one.

The following letter was also sent to the superintendents:

Dear Brother Superintendent:

We are coming to you again with the special supplies for observing Missionary Day in the Sunday Schools in the interest of home and foreign missions. The date set for the observance of this day is March 25. We of course understand that some schools will not be able to observe this particular day. We hope, as far as possible, it may be the day observed in all our schools. The program can easily be carried out on any other Sunday, however, and your own local situation should control this matter.

1. The special lesson for this year, and the program, emphasizes the present great opportunities before American churches and therefore before Southern Baptists.

2. This envelope contains in addition to this letter of instruction, (1) copies of the program, (2) an announcement poster, (3) a special envelope for "egg" money. It is intended that only the announcement poster shall be put on the wall preceding the observance of the program. The other posters and material are to be used as a part of the program and shown for the first time in that connection.

3. We would call attention again to the necessity of beginning preparation for this day at least one month in advance. It will take this time to properly arrange for the presentation of the program and carry out your plans to interest the school in observing this special day. In this connection, we would call your attention to the blackboard exercises for each week, which can be found in the Superintendent's Quarterly. Reference to the special day should be made every Sunday in March.

The program will be found in the Convention Teacher and the Superintendent's Quarterly. Extra copies which may be needed by you to properly render the exercises, can be had on application to Baptist Joint Committee on Missionary Day in the Sunday School, 161 Eighth avenue, N., Nashville, Tenn

4. The experience of many superintendents shows that the best way to secure a large and general contribution is to use envelopes, each scholar being provided with one in advance, which is to be returned containing the amount contributed by that scholar and collected in the class on March 25. The envelope has become the basis of every modern system of better church finances. It is very essential, therefore, that we shall accustom our children to the use of the envelope at as early an age as possible.

To get the best results we are prepared to furnish free upon application a sufficient quantity of envelopes for your school. Please write immediately to Joint Committee on Missionary Day in the Sunday School, 161 Eighth avenue, North, Nashville, Tenn., and tell how many of these envelopes you need. Do not put this off until the last minute. If the envelopes are to be of service in your congregation, they will have to be distributed at least one Sunday in advance, and should be earlier. Therefore you should write immediately upon receipt of this letter for the number of envelopes you can use effectively.

5. The collection should not be left to accident or impulse. Each class should, several Sundays in advance, fix the sum it will try to secure, and on the basis of these pledges the school should fix its "aim." Try for a large amount and you will get it.

6. The money secured on this day is to be divided 60 per cent for the Foreign Mission Board and 40 per cent for the Home Mission Board.

7. Your attention is called to the "egg" money envelope, of which any quantity you may desire can be procured from Joint Com-

mittee on Missionary Day in the Sunday School, 161 Eighth avenue, North, Nashville, Tenn. The envelope has on it a printed explanation of its purpose. Please examine it and call the attention of some of the women members to it.

Please remember that all money is to be sent directly to J. Benjamin Lawrence, corresponding secretary, Mississippi Baptist State Convention Board, Jackson, Miss., and he will forward it to the Home and Foreign Mission Boards.

(Signed) Baptist Joint Committee on Missionary Day (by appointment of the Home and Foreign Mission Boards). B. D. Gray, J. F. Love, I. J. Van Ness. Mississippi Baptist State Convention Board, J. Benj. Lawrence, Cor. Sec'y.

PREREQUISITES TO MEMBERSHIP IN A CHURCH OF CHRIST.

One of the greatest honors that can be conferred upon any human being is to be admitted to membership in a church of Jesus Christ. No position or place can honor any one unless that one fills the place which he occupies well. Jesus said, "If any man serve me, him will my Father honor." Not the one who pretends to serve; but the one who serves Jesus, is honored of the Father.

No one can be a real member of a true church of Jesus Christ who has not repented. Without repentance one must perish. He, who has not been saved from perishing, is not a suitable person for membership in a church of Jesus Christ. He, who has repented has changed his mind from things of his sin as a light thing to thinking of his sin as a grave thing; because it is against a holy God. He has purposed to give up the ways of sin, and take God's way as his way through life. He always after this lives in effort to carry out this purpose.

To be prepared for membership in a church of Christ one must receive Jesus as his Savior, as his Lord, as the Christ, and as the Son of God.

One must be born again before he is prepared for membership in a church of Christ; because a church of Christ is the spiritual family home for God's children, who live in a community in which such a church exists. If a number of children of God live in a community where no such church is, they should organize such a church.

To be a member of a New Testament church, one must receive baptism according to the teaching of the New Testament. To be a member of a church of Christ, one must receive a baptism like the one received by Jesus. Jesus said, "If any man will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross and follow me." This applies as much to baptism as to any thing that Jesus did while here on earth. Jesus said, "If ye love me, keep my commandments; and I will pray the Father, and He will give you another Comforter."

J. R. SUMNER.

Water Valley, Miss.

Rev. J. L. Phelps, of Kingston church, Laurel, becomes the pastor at Ruleville and Drew—two good Delta churches. MISS M. M. LACKEY, Editor Jackson
MISS FANNIE TRAYLOR, Auxiliary Leader Jackson
MISS MARY RATLIFF, College Correspondent, Raymond
MRS. C. C. LONGEST, Building and Loan Fund, Oxford
MRS. J. L. JOHNSON, Jr., State Trustee, Training
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MRS. B. E. KENT, Personal Service Leader Forest
MISS M. M. LACKEY, Corresponding Secretary-Treas-

CENTRAL COMMITTEE

All societies are urged to send quarterly reports to Miss M. M. Lackey, Jackson, Miss.
All funds should be sent to Dr. J. B. Lawrence, Jackson, Miss., except the Literature Fund, which should be sent to Miss M. M. Lackey.

WANTED-The following issues of Royal Service. If some one can send them, we shall much appreciate the kindness: For 1915-January, April. May, June and October. For 1916-August and December.

M. M. LACKEY.

Our Southern Baptist Convention meets in New Orleans on May 16th. Your secretary was doubtless napping when she made the date the 11th in last week's issue. If you wish to attend as a delegate, be sure an l send in your name, sister. Already we have sufficient names from some sections of the State but the entire delegation is not yet. filled out.

Should you not be made a delegate, however, be sure and attend as a visitor. Let us from this State make use of this great opportunity to attend our W. M. U. meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention. will there get a vision that we cannot grasp merely from reading or being told about it. See to it that your society is represented.

Port Gibson W. M. U.

It was with the same joy that the psalmist felt, when he said, "I was glad when they said unto me, Let us go into the house of the Lord," that the members of our W. M. U. entered into our March week of prayer, and it was indeed a season of blessing to each

While we have an enrollment of ten members, we had a daily average of eight which speaks for itself as to the interest manifested.

We were strengthened both intellectually and spiritually, after a careful study of the field and the different phases of work, we realize more fully the great needs thereof. Our hearts are kindled with more zeal for our Master's cause, and our prayers shall be more fervent when we say, "Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven.'

MRS. M. H. ROGERS. Secretary W. M. U.

Hazlehurst W. M. U.

The missionary society of the Hazlehurst Baptist church, so ably presided over by Mrs. R. L. Covington, carried out the program for the week of prayer in an all-day service. This was a new departure, but began at 10 o'clock.

Mrs. C. B. Rea and Mrs. C. C. Pugh, in charge of the morning program, made it unusually interesting. Mrs. Rea, by relating a touching little story of a personal experience. When we saw the eards used by the Cubans, with which universal gambling is earried on and the pictures of the "boneyard" where the poor, after death, are dumped-out, we felt Mrs. Pugh's argument for great opportunities in this island so beautiful and yet so ignorant, was timely and fitting.

At noon we spread the lunch, and this hour was made exceedingly pleasant by having with us our dearly beloved pastor, whom the Baptists of Hazlehurst think the greatest preacher in the South.

The afternoon program was conducted by Mrs. J. T. Coney and Mrs. Clara Pitts. We were ready for all the good things they had in store for us.

The topic of the mountain schools was turned over to Mrs. I. N. Ellis, who has been interested in this work for years, and keeps in such close touch with the workers there, that she hardly began before we caught her enthusiasm as she told of the successful work of these schools.

Mrs. Shelby Pitts told of the building loan fund and as we listened to the needs and heard of the great number of homeless churches, we wished we could build a church in every place needed.

The last hour was turned over to the Y. W. A., Mrs. E. E. Burk leading in the discussion of the foreigner. This hour was made attractive by these bright young women. This ended our first all-day service, one of enjoyment and all feeling they had been greatly benefited.

Notwithstanding we give through the budget system, a neat little sum was contributed to the mountain schools.

A MEMBER.

Excerpts from Report of Corresponding Secretary, March 7, 1917.

Last month's report closed with an account of the Baptist Student Missionary Movement which was holding a convention at that time in Louisville.

On Wednesday of this week in Louisville I went to the Training School, where I was guest for four days. You are familiar with the crowded conditions in the school, but perhaps are not prepared to hear that Mrs. McLure gave up her room to me for the four days. She stayed in the infirmary with the nurse, Miss Coombs, and a patient. Most strenuously did I protest against this arrangement, but it seemed easy for them to make the sacrifice. Deeper grew the longing in my heart for the erection of the new building where all such inconveniences will be unnecessary. Crowded indeed is the life in the other bed rooms, in the dining room and chapel. I was invited to a meal at each of the three tables in the small narrow dining room and to the two under the stairway in the hall. One of these tables is the now famous "trundle bed" which has to be pulled in and out at each meal. Careful "indeed must one be in arising from it lest the head strike the stairs!

In the chapel the seats are as close together as possible but there was no room for invitations to be issued to the twentytwo married women students to come to the 7 o'clock talks, each evening while I was at the school. In this chapel on the Friday evening there the graduation of Miss Jessie Mayfield, of Missouri, took place. Mrs. Mc-Lure and the student body dressed in pure white, and to me was granted the honor of presenting the diploma, after which the seniors rose and sang the Training School chant, "He will give His angels charge over thee." In this chapel the next night another beautiful occasion took place when the student body organized itself into eight teams to raise \$250 for the enlargement fund. Since May, 1914, less than three years ago, the students have raised \$1,800. Oh, that their zeal may quicken ours!

On Saturday and Sunday afternoons of the Training School week I went to the Good Will Center, where I attended the story hour and Sunday School. It was also my joy to be at its Thursday night prayer meeting. Each of these three gatherings was well attended in spite of the bitter cold. To one little tot who came without any wrap, Miss Leacham gave a warm blue coat. Her face wreathed with smiles and the other children's delight in her warmth were expressive to me of the interest shown by the neighborhood people in the center, and their gratitude for its kindness to them.

As I think of the two weeks spent in this Kentucky work my heart is full of gratitude to the state workers; to the Training School faculty and student body; and to the hostesses and audiences which made the meetings possible. Through the entire time there was heard no murmur of discontent over the inconveniences at the Training School, no disapproval of the big undertakings now before the Union, but on all sides was there the desire to help and to know how to render the largest service.

Following Roanoke, there were three days spent in Richmond in conference with Mrs. James. Most of the time was given to a discussion of the annual meeting program, the W. M. U. resolutions and the topics for the 1918 January and March weeks of prayer.

Too much publicity cannot be given to the fact that by April 30, the Union must raise \$168,734 to complete its apportionment for the Bible fund, home and foreign missions and the Margaret fund. During this fourth quarter last year, \$157,995 was raised for these four objects. Thus it will be seen that the ideal now before us is \$10,739 in excess of last year's gifts for similar work. This undoubtedly calls for believing prayer and careful planning.

Recently two denominational leaders have entered into their heavenly reward: Dr. Edgar Folk, president of the Sunday School Board, and Dr. J. P. Stuart, missionary to Italy. In each of these the Union had a loyal friend and we join with the denomination in giving thanks for their abundant lives. May their loved ones be comforted and may their work go forward.

Respectfully submitted, KATHLEEN MALLORY.

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NEWS IN THE CIRCLE

MARTIN BALL

Pastor H. S. Burns has resigned. Louisville, Ky., and accepted the ur-Enon church, Rush Creek, Ind.

Editor, Evangelist and Lecturer W. D. Upshaw has moved his paper, "The Golden Age," from Atlanta, will now appear once a month.

A great meeting was recently held in Enid, Okla., by Rev. Ed L. Watson. The entire town was aroused. There were 196 additions. The like had never been seen there before.

Rev. S. B. Myers, a Methodist minister, was baptized into the fellowship of the Union avenue church, of Nashville, Tenn. He will be ordained at once, and is said to be a good

The Missionary Baptist church in Texarkana has endorsed Rev. J. B. Sellman as evangelist and Bible lecturer. He lately came to the missionary church from the so-called Landmarkers.

If a church member persists in Jowett will do. dancing, card-playing, whiskey drinking and such like, a turning out would be a good piece of work. These are ungodly amusements, and should not be tolerated.

Understanding plans have not been announced. This tist Convention. is an all-time country field baving a splendid preacher's home. It is not far from Lexington.

> Rev. Giles C. Taylor has resigned at Springfield, Ky., and will move to Bearden, Ark. He will engage in evangelistic work and preaching sermons presenting the peculiar doctrines of Baptist faith.

> Prof. L. P. Leavell is conducting a class in the Louisville Seminary from 5 to 6 p. m., in "Winning to Christ." Many of the students and several people of the city are taking advantage of the training.

> Deacon Duke, of the First church, Dallas, gave \$1,000 in the recent campaign in Texas for Christian education. He now authorizes his pastor to draw on him for \$1,000 for home and foreign missions.

> Dr. J. A. Tolman, formerly with Simmons' College, Abilene, Texas, has been elected president of Howard Payne College. Dr. E. A. Baten, who teaches Bible, has been acting as president for two years.

> Evangelist J. H. Dew has closed a mighty meeting with Tabernacle church, Raleigh, N. C. There were 104 additions to the church. The membership is now 1,265. Dr. Wes-

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Dr. Allen J. Moore, dean of How the Eleventh and Jefferson church, ard College, Ala., has resigned and accepted the presidency of Simmons gent call to the pastorate of the College, Abilene, Texas. He succeeds Dr. J. A. Tolman, who goes to Howard Payne College, Brownwood, Texas.

Dr. E. Y. Mullins, president of the Ga., to Washington, D. C., and it Louisville Seminary, after a two months' vacation spent in Florida, has returned to his post of duty. He was given an ovation at the chapel service and at his appearance before

> We extend cordial greetings to Rev. Edward J. Caswell, whose labors began at West Point, March 1. of any preacher of his age of our acquaintance."

Rev. J. H. Jewett, pastor of the Fifth avenue Presbyterian church, of New York, receives a salary of \$18, 000. He has recently been called to London, England, to succeed G. Campbell Morgan in Westminster Chapel. It is not stated what Dr.

Dr. B. C. Henning, of Elizabeth City, N. C., has been called to the Deaderick avenue church, Knoxville, Tenn. He was pastor of this church once before for three years. They Rev. B. F. Swindler has resigned like him. Dr. Henning is one of the at East Hickman, Ky. His future vice-presidents of the Southern Bap-

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On Wednesday, May 16, in Room G, of the Grunewald Hotel, the following sessions will be held:

(1) Margaret Fund Committee at 9:30 a. m.

(2) Boards of W. M. U. Training School at 11 a. m.

* (3) W. M. U. Executive Committee at 3:30 p. m.

At 9:30 a. m. on Thursday, May 17, the regular session of the annual meeting will be called to order in the auditorium of the First Methodist church on St. Charles avenue. The sessions will continue in this church through Friday, May 18, with adjournment to attend the night services of the Southern Baptist Convention. Delegates and visitors should endeavor to register at this SCIENTIFIC TREATMENT FOR THE SKIN church in the forenoon of Wednes-

> Saturday morning, May 19, at 9:30 a. m., in the First Methodist church, there will be a conference with our women missionaries. At 1 p. m. that day a luncheon will be given in their honor in the banquet hall of the Grunewald Hotel. The Crystal Springs 5.15

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MY WORK.

I will give a brief synopsis of my work for this year, so far. The first Sunday in January I was with Brother D. W. Moulder at Goodwater. I also visited Trenton and Belmont. There were good congregations at all of these places, considering the season of the year. Brother W. M. Mott is pastor at Trenton, and is doing a good work there. Brother Moulder is pastor at the other two I went to visit Clear Creek and New Home churches, but was rained out. Only saw some of the brethren privately. The first Sunday in February I was with Center Hill and Mt. Olive churches, Neshoba county. These are weak churches and need help and encouragement. Brethren John and Walter Jones are their pastors. I was with Brother Marion Breland at Black Jack church, Neshoba county, the fourth Sunday in February;

The first Sunday in March was with Brother R. L. Breland at Rock Branch and Beulah churches, New

ought.

I verily believe that this is one of the reasons that the Lord has sent these disasters upon our country.

If this is true, is not this a time when the Lord is going to put us to the test? Our contributions this spring will largely show how much or how little, these disasters hav done in bringing us up to a faithful discharge of our duty in giving to the Master's work. If it does not make us more liberal, it will make us more courteous.

These things will draw us nearer to the Lord in every good word and work, or will drive us from Him. God means all these disasters for our correction, and if this is not accomplished in us, He will have to try West Point 9.35 something more severe

JAS. E. CHAPMAN.

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Some Dangers That Confront Us in Our Work.

There are a number of things that will be used as an excuse for not giving to the support of our mission work, as well as to cut down our contributions from what they have been in the past.

Taking it as a whole, there are but very few of us whose contributions in the past were more than they ought to be, under the present condition of things. If this be true then we have not come up to that measure of giving in the past that we ought.

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possessed the city because they have possessed the city because they have mot mustered in enough forces in the attack. We had as well try to an open Bible and a warm Christian catch a whale with a pinhook as to heart. try to capture New Orleans with a small policy. We must make our The basis of such a policy will be the

I. The Missionary Spirit. South who are interested in the is making great inroads on the colown country across the sea but take colored problem a serious one. no interest in the evangelization of the same foreigner here at home

South who are concerned about the about 1,400 whites now members of salvation of the foreigner here at our Baptist, churches. home, but have no concern about the twice as many Baptists in the city salvation of this same foreigner in who are not members of our his own country across the sea have not the real missionary spirit. Again the 297,000 whites and foreigners the members of our churches who take an active interest in the preaching of the gospel to their own people, but take no active interest in the preaching of the gospel to the foreigner from other lands at their very door have not the spirit of Christian missions.

Furthermore, the members of our churches who take no interest in the evangeliaztion of any people at all. whether at home or abroad, have not the spirit of Jesus Christ. But the Baptists who are concerned about the salvation of all the people of all the lands have the spirit of Christ.

The question before us is the enlistment of all our people in the full program of Jesus Christ, and worldwide interests in the salvation of the peoples of the earth.

II. The Peoples of New Orleans.

There are 387,000 people in New Orleans. Of these 90,000 are Negroes, and 37,000 are real foreigners. There are 60,000 people who are really foreigners in our midst. The 37,000 foreign born, of foreign born parentage, are from every nation on the globe. There are 800 Austrians, 600 Canadians, 400 Cubans, 1,500 English, 3,000 French, 63,000 Germans, 3,000 Irish, 8,300 Italians, 600 Mexicans, 200 Norwegians, 1,400 Prussians, 300 Scotch, 500 Spanish, 300 Swiss, 400 Turks, 400

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The fact that New Orleans is fast becoming the chief immigrant port of the South will make the question of the foreigner the great problem The greatest home mission prob-lem confronting Southern Baptists is New Orleans. The Baptists have not way of New Orleans. These foreign-

Of the 90,000 Negroes, only 22,-900 are members of any evangelical policy adequate to the task before us. churches. There are 15,000 of these members of Baptist churches. missionary spirit among our people. the removal of Leland College from New Orleans, and the opening of the The people of our churches in the Catholic Southern University, which evangelization of the foreigner in his ored Baptists of the city, makes the

Of the American born whites of the city, 200,000 are native Americans have not the real missionary spirit. and 60,000 are American born of The people of our churches in the foreign parentage, and there are only churches. There are only 30,000 of who are members of any evangelical churches. That leaves 267,000 white people in the city to be reached with the pure gospel of Jesus Christ, and these 1,400 Baptist church members have the task of reaching with the pure gospel of Christ the 295,000 people, but we can do this if we go at it in the right way.

III. The Evangelization of the City.

The only way we will ever be able to make the city a Baptist city in the future is by placing a Bible school in reach of every child in the city. If this had been done twentyfive years ago it would be a Baptist city today in the predominating influence.

The only way we will ever be able to evangelize the foreigners in the city of New Orleans and the coast cities is by having the converted foreigners to become evangelists to their own people. This is the explanation of the success of our work on the foreign fields of late years.

But these foreigners need special training for this work among their own people here, just the same as the ministers of our own people need special training for their work. We have been trying to do this work with Americans and untrained foreigners. We must change this policy to a more practical and effective one. We must reach the foreigners with the gospel by using their own native people.

established the Southern Baptist train deacons, teachers, missionaries, problem of the South is the training Theological Seminary. The good and ministers for work in the home school. The work of establishing it women saw the need of special train- field. We will use the students in has already begun. ing for our women missionaries and the school to do mission work in the established the missionary Training city. This will be a part of their not do a greater thing for the cause School in Louisville. Our Sunday training. In this way we will be in our midst than to support this School leaders saw the need of spec- able to cover the city with Baptist school. ia! training for our Sunday School workers and place a Sunday School in workers and inaugurated the teacher reach of every child and to teach training work of the Sunday School every foreigner about Jesus Christ.

Now we see the need of special training for our workers among the foreigners in our midst, and we must we will be able to prepare deacons days.

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Mrs. Lou Terry died at D'Lo, on March 5, 1917, in her 83rd year. She was born in South Carolina, but married in Smith county, Mississippi, in 1856, to L. S. Terry, who died in 1875.

She was the mother of eight children, seven of whom are living.

Early in life she joined the Methodist church, and later the Baptist church, of which she remained a member till death.

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- faction which characterize this age had no effect upon him.
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tionship of life-as citizen, soldier, member.

6. He was a faithful Christian, ever present at worship to cheer his clean home. pastor by his presence and to assure his brethren of his hearty co-operation in all that pertained to his Master's kingdom. The passing of the months has not lessened my sympathy for his venerable sister, his brothers, his children and the noble woman whose devotion made happy his long life. I sorrow with the church which has so often these late years been called upon to mourn the home-going of some of her noblest and best members.

I shall not cease to miss this gentle and loyal friend with whom I have spent so many pleasant hours. Such characters are all too rare.

It will be a joy to look again upon his honest and kindly face when the years have flown and I, too, have been permitted to assemble with the 'spirits of just men made perfect" in that land where there are no shadows.

N. W. P. BACON.

MRS. R. E. CLARK.

In the home-going of this good woman, Senatobia church lost one of her most valuable members. She was the daughter of Mr. Robert Harris, of Independence, and was born in Tate county 28 years ago. She was converted in early girlhood and united with Hickory Grove Baptist church. After her marriage to Mr. R. E. Clark, she transferred her membership to Senatobia church, where she endeared herself to pastor and people by her faithfulness and consecrated Christian character. In Sunday School she was a most efficient teacher, and an active worker in the W. M. U.

Her sorrowing husband and loved ones have the sincerest sympathy of

A. T. CINNAMOND.

MRS. MARTHA J. PIERCE.

Sad indeed was the information that announced the going away of acteristics stand out most promi- Sister Pierce, on December 22, 1916, at Newport, Ark. She was born in 1. His quiet, contented disposi- Greene county, Alabama, November The restlessness and dissatis- 13, 1858, became a Christian while a young girl, and lived devotedly for Christ in the Baptist denomination 2. He was a just man and had a until the day of her death, Noovemhigh regard for the rights of others, ber 26, 1868. She was married to and was considerate of every one. I Dr. A. G. Pierce, then of Mississippi. doubt if he ever had a quarrel in all Six daughters were born to this his life or ever uttered an evil word union, three of whom survive their sainted mother. These are Mrs. Mai He was ruggedly honest and Pierce Kelly, of Yazoo City; Mrs. T. R. Davis, Gilmore, Ark., and Miss 4. Gentleness and modesty were Agnes Pierce, who resides with her highly exemplified in this good man. father at Newport, Ark. The writer No word was ever uttered by him had the honor of being Sister Pierce's that might not with propriety have pastor for several years in Yazoo been spoken in the presence of any City. It was her hospitable home that gave me my first welcome to

He was faithful in every rela- Yazoo City as pastor. Oft repeated and lived up to them. Kind in heart, keeper, always making her friends

ness to do her best for Christ and it so. His kingdom.

She was a woman of high ideals

was the hearty welcome and cordial gentle in speech, charitable in deeds, neighbor, friend, husband and church hospitality while I continued as her she made many true and worthy pastor. She was a model home- friends. She has gone to her reward much earlier than we had exyet shrank from prominence, but was feel at perfect ease in her spotlessly pected, but the world is richer in good deeds because of her life; and Her genial womanly spirit never heaven is dearer because she has failed to inspire the utmost confi- gone to be with Jesus. May her loydence in the sincerity of her motives, alty to truth and righteousness in-She loved the plain, open truth in fluence those of her loved ones and everybody and everything. She friends who abide in the flesh, to a lived the simple life of faith in deeper consecration to the cause she Christ, always manifesting a willing- loved. I am sure she would have

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Impressions of the Pontotoc Convention

The convention, I think, was one! of the greatest ever held. As for the most vital power for good that my part, I have been greatly inspired to do greater things for the Lord. of our denomination, of the past, be-The speakers messages, I think, went home to hearts and minds of the young to a every delegate. The demonstrations degree never before known; second, were all exceedingly good and brought forth much favorable comment. I am going to take to my church and B. Y. P. U. an echo of this great convention and strive to ought to be cumbered with the work uplift His work. - H. C. Rooyals, Editor B. Y. P. U. Age.

The best we ever had. The demonstrations and illustrations were positive proofs of the character of work now being done, which prove what can be done in all of our schools and B. Y. P. U's. Every speaker seemed to have been at his joy and inspiration that the Sunday best. It was all helpful and instructive and inspiring .- A Pastor.

I have received inspiration that has given me new courage as I go back to the Union at Liberty. I will have enthusiasm that will help me to put in practice what I have received from being here. I can say it was good to be there. - Mack Smith, President Liberty B. Y. P. U.

It was the best I ever attended anywhere. The only bad thing about it was that I did not have more of my people there. The fellowship was delightful. The inspiration was soul-lifting, but one of the best things about the convention was that real practical work was done .-George F. Barton, Pastor First Baptist Church, Winona.

I have been to many conventions, but do not know of any that was so thorough in presenting every phase of Sunday School and B. Y. of going .- H. L. Watts, Superinten-P. U. work. The primary department's demonstration by Miss Minnie Brown, of Pontotoc, was worth the trip, and Tupelo Junior B. Y. P. U. was also something that every pastor should have seen. It simply showed what could be done by one who is consecrated to the Lord. Holcomb and his fine people deserve special mention for entertaining the convention so successfully. - C. C. Kiser, Pastor.

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It will send out, in my opinion, I've seen go out from any convention with their forceful cause, first, its opening up in the because a few of our men saw the vision and threw themselves into the work, showing others that God had a work for all to do and that no one of another, and that we only find great joy in that we give out of the Christ life to others .- A. J. Brown, Aberdeen.

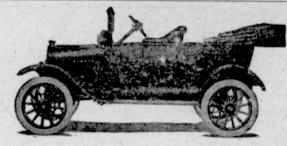
> I have attended our State Baptist conventions, associations and other religious gatherings, but none of these have brought me the comfort, School and B. Y. P. U. Convention at Pontotoc did. What a blessing to hear the glorious reports and to associate with such choice spirits.-H. Boyd Watkins, Secretary of Slayden B. Y. P. U.

> I was so much impressed with the emphasis placed on the Bible-how to know it; the importance of teaching it in every branch of our great work and all the best ways to emphasize it as God's Word in our work, in word, in song, in life, and how ready God is to magnify His Word .- A. L. O'Briant.

> It was great, because: (1) Greatest we have had in attendance; (2) great in personnel, composed of Christians; (3) great in spirituality, enthusiasm, co-operation and beautiful fellowship; (4) great in information, the messages and demonstrations, deeply spiritual, practical, pointed and convincing. I would not have missed it for ten times the cost dent Sunday School, Winona.

> If we had heard nothing but the incomparable sermon on the "Withered Hand," by Dr. Winburn, the convention would have been worth our while, but the A-1 B. Y. P. U. reports and the demonstration of the Tupelo Juniors proved another inspiration. Our souls were indeed lifted up when we think of the vision these young people have of things of the kingdom. Our souls go out in love to the hospitality of the saints there.-Mary A. Babb, Sunday School Teacher, New Albany.

I feel in my heart that I want to express my thoughts for the success of the convention. I have taken the Sunday School and I feel that I have gotten a blessing from every sermon and demonstration, and I am going to take home every blessing and try to put them in the hearts of my fellow workers. - Frank M. Math. Shubuta.



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The two addresses from Rev. Dr. H. L. Winburn, Louisville, Ky., were food and strength to the believer. The able address given by Rev. Dr. J. B. Lawrence, "The Sunday School Factor in Our Denominational points brought out in the discussion is bound to have its effect in time. The Brown, of Pontotoc, and the exercises greatness and especially in the Bible is worthy of our notice, and should have the friends (John 15:14); zest in servconvention. onstration by the Junior B. Y. P. U., of Tupelo, the able way each one Spight Coker. took their part in that meeting impressed me very much. feature in the hour was the beautiful timely solo that was sung by a young lady of the B. Y. P. U. I make mention of the two young boys who gave her crutches because she had nothwere sold and brought \$100, and her heart leaped for joy when she knew what she gave as a sacrifice gave me a new vision of the Christian life was given by Dr. Lawrence. He surely gave many beautiful timely suggestions to all of the Lord's children.-John Fred Henderson, Pastor, Phoenix, Miss.

It was my exalted privilege to attend the convention, and this was truly the greatest mountain top experience of my Christian life. I was nearer heaven than perhaps I ever was before—so close, in fact, until Elder up; and all who failed to go missed one of the greatest blessings of this life .- R. H. Cockerham

more to us than we can ever express. help and inspiration that these days zeal and resolves in our hearts to with the Baptists and did so by join-Holly Springs.

high tide. up close to God, then the sermon by Rev. J. J. Cloar was the climax of Gulfport, Miss.

a score or more of pastors, Sunday 'We are ready to go if He calls us.' It was a great hour .- L. G. Gates.

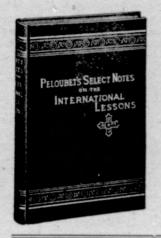
Inspiration came our way. were lifted into a higher atmosphere -into the spiritual tropics; heavenly enthusiasm pervaded the sermons and talks. Never before was Sunday Life," was an uplift to every Sunday School and B. Y. P. U. work shown School teacher and to every super- to be such great factors in kingdom intendent and scholar. The many building. Our keyword should be "Service." We feel that life is as winter's snow, and everybody is elementary work by Miss Minnie making tracks in it (Ps. 51:7); and comes by ministering that were gone through by her class, (Matt. 20:26; I John 3:16). We are have brought approval of the whole taught to hold up the hands-the joy convention, and the practical way the of church going (Ps. 84:1-2); comchildren were trained in every way panionship with the Father. I am not alone (John 16:32); ye are my highest place in our Sunday School ice (Neh. 8:10); the potter and the The next thing that wheel (Jer. 18:4; Isa. 64:8); patgreatly impressed me was the dem- tern in the mount (Heb. 8:5); the Master Builder (Heb. 3:4) .- Mrs. L.

ORDINATION OF REV. ROBERT J. BELL.

The church at Long Beach called for an ordaining council with the purpose of ordaining to the full work excellent addresses, and the young of the gospel ministry, Rev. Robert lady who explained Paul's three mis- J. Bell. The ordination services were sionary journeys, and the word from held March 13th, beginning with the little girl about the child giving prayer for divine guidance led by Elder O. D. Bowen. The ordaining ing else to give, and that the crutches presbytery was composed of Elder R. L. Baker, pastor of the First Baptist was given back to the child, when church, New Orleans; Elder Judah Feldman, pastor of the First Baptist church, Gulfport; Elders W. C. Grace for her dear Lord. The thing that and O. D. Bowen, Gulfport. Elder Grace was chosen to preside, and Elder Feldman, secretary. Brother Bell related his experience of grace, call to the ministry, and doctrinal views, which was satisfactory, and he was set apart'to the full work of the gospel ministry by the laying on of the hands of the presbytery, Elder Baker leading the ordination prayer; after which the hand of fraternal fellowship and loving good wishes were given this minister of Christ. Feldman led the closing I saw Christ Jesus high and lifted prayer, and Elder Bell pronounced the benediction.

Brother Bell had been a minister of the United Presbyterian church, and labored as such in the moun-The convention has meant far tainous regions of Virginia and West Virginia. He removed to New Or-We thank our Master for the great leans, and while residing there, he was led by his conception of New have been to us. We shall go back Testament teaching and by his conto our homes with new enthusiasm, viction of truth and duty to unite give our best in the advancement of ing the First Baptist church in that His kingdom.-Mrs. R. E. Zachert, city, of which Eider R. L. Baker is the pastor. Brother Bell having been called to serve Long Beach Baptist From the beginning to the close, church, he moved his membership the spirit of the convention was at there and his ordination followed. Most of the delegates He is the pastor of that church and stayed for the closing service and goes forward with happy prospects those who went away before the last He is a young man of piety and inhours of the convention missed the telligence and ability, and may he best part. At the evening hour the have the guiding hand of our grasong service, led by Brother O. P. cious God, and manifold blessings Estes, lifted that great congregation upon his work of love in the gospel. O. D. BOWEN.

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LONG BEACH.

As pastor of the church, I take great pleasure in reporting a good meeting here, conducted by Rev. R. L. Baker, of the First church, New Orleans, La., March 4th to 14th. God made the preacher a great blessing to us all and the message came in convincing power. Brother Baker brings the message from a living faith, the open Book and a loving heart. The latch-string is always out to such a man with such a message.

We will have Dr. Judah Feldman, of the First church, Gulfport, with us at Lyman, Miss., sometime in April to conduct a meeting at the church there. He will be at home with us at any time, for we know him and love him as he brings a message of never dying love.

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